MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): In view of the answer to part (*b*), is it not the duty of the Government to give to this House a definite reply?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The particular date, on which the information was called for, was not considered very material.

Aided Technical Schools in the State.

188. ***MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara II*): Will the Government be pleased to give a statement by taluk of the grant-in-aid technical schools under the Industries Department as they stood at the beginning of 1109 and 1110, showing the names of proprietors or managers with the amount of grant paid to them?

MR. N. K. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Director of Industries*): The statement is placed on the table.

Applications for Mechanical Fitters' Post.

189. ***MR. A. S. DAMODARAM ASAN** (*Mavelikara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of applications received by the Electrical Engineer for appointments in his department from persons who have passed the Mechanical Fitters' class in the Sri Mulam Technical School;

(*b*) the number of persons appointed by him from the applicants referred to in part (*a*); and

(*c*) whether persons, without the above qualification, were appointed to posts which require such qualification, when those with such qualification were available?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Eleven applications.

(*b*) Two.

(*c*) No.

Transport of Stationery Articles.

190. ***MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to entrust to private agencies the transport of stationery articles required for the various offices in the State;

(*b*) if so, the amount proposed to be allotted therefor and the period for which the work is given;

(*c*) the total expense incurred last year;

(*d*) whether tenders have been invited for the work;

(*e*) if the answer to part (*d*) is in the negative, why it was not done so; and

(*f*) the names of persons who applied for the work and that of the person in whose name it has been confirmed?

* *Vide* Appendix VI.

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